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SUBJECT: INTELLIGENCE REPORTS ON LAOS

REF: STATE 35294, OAKLEY-LEVIN CORRESPONDENCE

1. WE HAVE OUR HANDS ON TWO OF THE THREE INTELLIGENCE

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INFORMATION REPORTS MENTIONED IN YOUR REFTEL. AS RE-
FELECTED IN THESE REPORTS, THE HKG AUTHORITIES LAST DECEM-
BER BANNED THE PERIODIC LAO AIRLINES DC-4 MAINTENANCE
FLIGHTS. THIS BAN REMAINS IN EFFECT AND THERE ARE NO
INIDCATIONS THAT IT WILL BE LIFTED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.
THE BAN WAS OSTENSIBLY BASED ON SAFETY AND INSURANCE
CONSIDERATIONS, BUT THE REAL REASON WAS HKG AWARENESS

OF THE ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE FLIGHT.

2. WE HAVE ALL ALONG MAINTAINED CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE
HKG ANTI-NARCOTICS AUTHORITIES ON THIS MATTER AND
BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE NOW SUFFICIENT SAFEGUARDS
AGAINST ANY REPETITION OF THE ACTIVITY DESCRIBED
IN THE REPORTS YOU HAVE CITED.
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